

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 355

By Pitts

A RESOLUTION to commend Bethany Grace Eatherly for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Bethany Grace Eatherly is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representative Joe Pitts; Bethany's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, hailing from Nashville, Bethany Eatherly graduated from Hunters Lane High School in May of 2005; in addition to earning a remarkable 3.8 GPA, she proved to be a force to be reckoned with on the bowling lanes, carrying an astounding 202 average, garnering the top spot in her district, and ably serving as captain of her school's bowling team; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to the mantle of leadership, Ms. Eatherly rendered sterling service as the President of her business Professionals of American Program; and

WHEREAS, a student at Austin Peay State University with a prospective graduation date of May 2009, Bethany has achieved academic success while majoring in Political Science with a Legal Studies concentration and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Ms. Eatherly brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2008 session of the One Hundred Fifth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, assigned to the office of Representative Pitts, Bethany Eatherly began the session as a blond, blue-eyed ingénue; she subsequently underwent a drastic transformation to become a chestnut-haired, steely-eyed veteran where confidence belies her age: and

WHEREAS, although she purports to have attended Austin Peay, she shows a great propensity for giving erroneous directions to the Political Science department offices on campus, thereby casting a cloud of suspicion on her actual attendance at the school; and

WHEREAS, a burgeoning fashionista, Bethany possesses great sartorial acumen; and

WHEREAS, she is peerless in her incredible grasp of the facts of legislation and her sharp, probing questions such as, "What did I do now?"; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Eatherly has gone up and down in the 109 Point system with more frequency than a Dollywood rollercoaster; she has been an invaluable extension of Team 109 through her hard work and a demonstrated willingness to "play well with others"; and

WHEREAS, our many playful jokes aside, Bethany Eatherly has set a new standard for future interns with her tireless work ethic, unwavering support of the staff, and her commitment to excellence; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2008 legislative session, Ms. Eatherly has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern, leaving little doubt that she will obtain her goal of completing law school and becoming a member of the legal profession; and

WHEREAS, Bethany enjoys the love and support of her wonderful parents, Andrea Seagroves and Gary Eatherly, as well as her siblings, Britany, John, and Jessica, and her treasured nephew, Preston Wilkerson; and

WHEREAS, Bethany Eatherly has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Bethany Grace Eatherly for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Joe Pitts, extending to her our best wishes for every success in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.